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EAST CHINA TAKES STEPS TO IMPROVE PUBLIC HEALTH

GIVES PUBLIC HEALTH DATA -- Nanking Hsin-hua Jih-pao, 19 Jul 50

The following data has been furnished by the Medical Institute of the Nanfang University:

The three epidemic diseases in East China are kala azar, bubonic plague, and schistosoma japonicum (Japanese blood fluke fever). Not including Taiwan, East China has 14,408 doctors, 814 dentists, 411 pharmacists, 4,982 nurses, 3,421 midwives, 176 skilled medical technicians, 9,246 semiskilled technicians, 30,466 beds, and 157 hsien health centers.

East China needs 51,796 doctors (now there is only one doctor to every 2,000 people), 2,703 dentists, 12,457 pharmacists, 252,414 nurses, 21,750 midwives, 64,173 skilled medical technicians, 248,150 semiskilled technicians, 613,022 beds (there are only five beds to each 1,000 patients), and 255 hsien health centers.

INOCULATE OVER 5 MILLION IN SHANGHAI -- Shanghai Chieh-fang Jih-pao, 27 May 50

Shanghai - Since the liberation and up to the end of April 1950, 5,122,772 persons have received inoculations against various diseases in Shanghai. They include the following: 3,631,352 against cholera; 992,172, smallpox; 283,772, typhoid-paratyphoid, 211,901, diphtheria; 2,972, antirables; and 603, typhus.

SHANGHAI HAS 162 HOSPITALS -- Shanghai Chieh-fang Jih-pao, 27 May 50

Shanghai -- Shanghai now has 162 hospitals with 11,192 beds, and 21 health agencies.

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GIVES HEALTH DATA FOR NANKING -- Nanking Hsin-hua Jih-pao, 19 Aug 50

Nanking -- During the first 10 days of August 1950 the following data on diseases, patients, and deaths were reported in Nanking:

Disease	Patients	Deaths
Dysentery Diphtheria Encephalitis Typhoid Ague	86 1 24 13 375	1 1 . 13 1
Cerebrospinal meningitis	ì	

FINDS PLAGUE VIRUS IN RATS -- Hankow Chekiang Jih-pao, 23 Jul 50

The antiplague campaign in Ch'u Hsien, Chekiang, was started on 29 June 1950. Examination of dead rats revealed that 30 percent had bubonic plague virus which could start an epidemic in this area.

Spraying of DDT and destruction of flea-bearing rats is being pursued in earnest. The hsien government requested the provincial government to send antiplague vaccines for preventive inoculations.

LISTS EPIDEMIC DISEASES IN NING-PO -- Ning-po Shih-pao, 25 Jul 50

Ning-po -- During June 1950, the number and types of cases of diseases and injuries in Ning-po were as follows:

Disease	No of Cases
Diarrhea (except infantile)	33
Cerebrospinal meningitis	1
	11
Whooping cough	138
Fulmonary tuberculosis	98
Skin diseases	98 74
Eye diseases (except trachoma)	73
Otorhinolaryngological diseases	114
Acute gastroenteritis	1
Cerebral hemorrhage	233
Nervous disorders	233 78
Gynecological diseases	24
Pneumonia	
External injuries	113
Typhoid and paratyphoid	ì3
Diphtheria	- C
Ague	160
Syphilis	46 [.] 8
Tuberculosis other than pulmonary	8
Trachoma	73 166
Bronchitis	
Infantile diarrhea	209
Insanity	7
Kidney diseases	14
Internal injuries	233

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The Infectious Diseases Hospital in Ning-po gives the following data for 1 - 23 July 1950:

Disease	No of Cases
Acute gastroenteritis	40
Diarrhea (infantile diarrhea not included)	4
Tubercular meningitis	2
Others	6

FINDS NEW CURE FOR ENCEPHALITIS -- Nanking Hsin-hua Jih-pao, 12 Aug 50

Nanking -- An encephalitis epidemic is now ravaging Nanking. The first case of the disease was reported at the Infectious Diseases Hospital in mid-May 1950. By July, the number increased to 20 cases. Other patients, mostly children, found in other hospitals have already been transferred for treatment to the Infectious Diseases Hospital. The fatality rate of this disease is known to be about 70 percent. However, since the discovery of a new medicine called "chiu-mei-su" (1) /numbers refer to appended characters/ by the superintendent of the Nanking University Hospital, the fatality rate has been reduced considerably.

The new medicine was tried on eight child patients and seven recovered from the disease. Since the medicine is expensive, it is still not being used widely to treat encephalitis.

134 SCRUB TYPHUS PATIENTS IN CANTON HOSPITAL -- Hong Kong Hein-tao Jih-pao, 24 Sep 50

Canton, 23 September -- Since the outbreak of the scrub typhus epidemic in Canton, there have been 130 patients confined in the Fan-pien Hospital. Fifty cases were reported in Yueh-hsiu Ch'u, 25 in Yung-han Ch'u, and others were reported in Nan-an, P'an-t'ang, Tung-shan, Hsi-kuan, and Hui-ai-tung.

The following countermeasures were taken in Yueh-hsiu Ch'u from 16 to 20 september: On the 16th, mass meetings were called to teach preventive and treatment methods; on the 17th, 18th, and 19th, inspectors assisted by civilian team captains made inspections of houses, and work-relief units sprayed DDT, cleaned streets, swamps, and ditches. Also on the 19th, all doctors in the ch'u held a consultative meeting, and three liaison stations were set up to make surveys and do research. On the 20th, Dr Chu ju-liang of Fan-pien Hospital gave a lecture on the causes and treatment of scrub typhus. The Canton government supplied the ch'u with DDT and rat traps.

30,000 OPIUM ADDICTS IN SHANGHAI -- Nanking Hsin-hua Jih-pao, 19 Jul 50

Shanghai -- Before the liberation, Shanghai had 150,000 opium addicts. Since the liberation, the number has decreased to 30,000. Similarly, before the liberation, Shanghai had 2,235 prostitutes. This number has been decreased by 1,235.

DRUG ADDICTION CASES TRIED IN SHANGHAI -- Shanghai Hsin-wen Jih-pao, 5 Jul 50

Shanghai -- According to the Shanghai Public Security Bureau, 968 cases of drug addiction or drug trafficking were arraigned before Shanghai people's courts from January to May 1950. In connection with these cases, 1,893 persons

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were apprehended and brought before people's courts. These include 837, selling; 1,039, smoking; 10, trafficking; and 7 persons producing opium.

FIND MARIJUANA SMOKERS IN TOBACCO FACTORIES -- Nanking Hsin-hua Jih-pao, 19 Jul 50

Nanking -- Recently, the Nanking tax bureau agents uncovered several cases of marijuana smoking by workers in the city's tobacco and cigarette factories. Dried leaves and flowers of hemp are smoked in cigarettes by these addicts. The bureau has informed its branch office agents to be on the lookout for such addicts. Local cigarette unions were asked to describe the damaging effects of marijuana smoking to their members.

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